

SECOND EMERGENCY ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY BLANKET WAIVERS FOR RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES

Pursuant to the “Declaration of Public Health Emergency for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak” issued by Governor Eric Holcomb on March 6, 2020 (the “Governor’s Declaration”) and IC 4-21.5-4-1, and as authorized by IC 16-28-1-10 and the September 18, 1991 resolution of the Executive Board of the Indiana State Department of Health (“ISDH”), the Indiana State Health Commissioner hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

Compliance by licensed Indiana residential care facilities with portions of certain state rules is **WAIVED**, subject to the specified terms, conditions, and limits set forth below:

1. The requirement under 410 IAC 16.2-5-1.2(r)(7) (“Residents’ rights”) that “the notice of transfer or discharge required under subdivision (6) must be made by the facility at least thirty (30) days before the resident is transferred or discharged” is waived with modification as follows:
The notice of transfer or discharge required under 410 IAC 16.2-5-1.2(r)(6) must be made by the facility as soon as practicable before the resident is transferred or discharged.
2. The requirements of 410 IAC 16.2-5-4(e) (“Health services”) are waived to facilitate, where appropriate, the preparation of medication doses for residents on a weekly basis using a pill planner or similar device.
3. No other state rule or portion of a state rule is affected by this Emergency Order or the waivers granted herein.
4. Each waiver granted herein is effective as of March 6, 2020, and shall expire upon the earliest of (a) expiration or revocation of the Governor’s Declaration, including any extensions thereof; (b) revocation of this Emergency Order; or (c) expiration of this Emergency Order under IC 4-21.5-4-5(a)(3), including any extensions thereof, plus such additional time as the ISDH deems necessary to enable an orderly transition by facilities back to compliance with the rules or parts of rules herein waived.
5. The waivers granted herein are unique to the present emergency, and are strictly limited in effect to this time and specific situation. No part of the waivers or their language, terms or conditions shall apply or have relevance to other waivers or

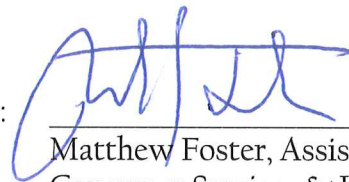
situations. These waivers neither establish nor continue any precedent, policy, or approach for issuance of waivers individually or in general.

6. The ISDH has affirmatively determined that granting the waivers herein will not adversely affect the health, safety and welfare of any affected residents or patients.

SO ORDERED as of the date set forth below.

Kristina Box, MD, FACOG
State Health Commissioner

By:



Matthew Foster, Assistant Commissioner
Consumer Services & Health Care Regulation

Date: March 21, 2020